

**EXAMINING BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS,
HYDROLOGISTS AND SOIL SCIENTISTS
MINUTES
MADISON, WISCONSIN
MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 1999**

PRESENT: Stephen Donohue, Roger Hall, Herb Garn and Robert Karnauskas in person; Tracy Benzal, (unconfirmed), Fred Birts, Wayne Lindgren and Patrick McGuire by telephone conference

EXCUSED: Thomas Evans, Jerry Tyler, Joan Underwood, David Mickelson

STAFF PRESENT: Alfred Hall and Becky Fry, Pamela Haack, Bill Black, Legal Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m., by Stephen Donohue, Vice-Chair. A quorum of seven voting members was present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (10/19/99)

MOTION: Fred Birts moved, seconded by Patrick McGuire, to approve the minutes, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Nothing to report.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Final Adoption of Rules Relating to Creation of GHSS 1-5 Regarding the Licensure and Regulation of Professional Geologists, Professional Hydrologists and Professional Soil Scientists (10/05/99)

The Board reviewed Joan Underwood's October 22, 1999, letter to Senator Grobschmidt and Representative Hebl, regarding the Senate Clearinghouse Rule 99-088, relating to the regulation and licensing of the professions of geology, hydrology and soil scientists and exempting certified wetland scientists.

The Board reviewed, for understanding, the exemption of certified wetland scientists from licensure as a professional geologist, hydrologist and soil scientist.

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to adopt the proposed administrative rules. Motion carried unanimously.

Patrick McGuire informed the Board of an article from the American Geophysical Union (AGU) regarding the growing science of ecological hydrology. He will send a copy of the article to Alfred Hall to be forwarded to the Hydrology Section members.

The Board revisited the issue of the number of years of experience required for sitting for the fundamentals portion of the exam for professional hydrologists, geologists and soil scientists. This issue will be addressed through rule changes for each Section at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

The next Board meeting will be held on November 18, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. by teleconference.

The Board will review the rules relating to the number of years of experience that are required to take the fundamentals portion of the exam.

The Board discussed the status of the Department of Natural Resources rules incorporating registered professionals into the rules.

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to request Alfred Hall to draft a letter to Mike Lemke, inviting him to attend the next GHSS Joint Board meeting, on November 18, 1999, regarding the status of DNR incorporating registered professionals into their administrative rules. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.